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who's familiar with...with the gaming industry, they'll tell you one casino, it takes a million people to support that, unless you have a lot of people who are traveling across the country and it is a destination stop for them or they're passing through, one or the other. But I... I see if we pass this, the next petition is going to be to expand, or to have more casinos. I...I don't see this deterring anything that the other groups out there have for petitions. Certainly, if ... if we allow casinos by the tribes, the keno people are going to...they've already got one out there but they'll work even harder to get either slot machines, or...or videos on their keno machines to protect their piece that they've got. Nobody wants to give up what they got. They want to expand what they got. And...and I... I don't see this whole...by passing this we're not going to slow down the petition process. We're going to have more petitions than we ever had before, and I just...if you got gambling, it...it has only one direction and that's for more, and more, and more gambling. I don't see that it will stop here If the citizens vote for...for the if we pass this bill. tribes it's just going to induce, as far as I'm concerned, and create more and more petitions that are out there. I wish that we could address that situation, Senator Beutler. I wish that we could sit down and we, as a Legislature, decide our future. But as long as we have the petition process out there, I don't think that we can decide that. We can certainly Certainly there will be some groups that might suggestions. oppose those...those various petitions that are out there. absolutely agree, those petitions, the way some of them are worded, are...are going to be detrimental to this state, particular...I've never seen a petition that guaranteed somebody a profit until...or anything in the constitution that guarantees a certain group a profit like the one petition does. That is absolutely wrong. I've never seen anything so self-serving in but, yet, it is there and if they get enough...certainly, enough signatures, it'll...it'll be on the ballot, and then we'll see what happens from there. But I...I don't see, by passing this, that it's going to solve any problems whatsoever. I think it's going to create more problems. I think it will just further expand the gambling that we have. It's going to expand it to more casinos, more slot machines, and I...I say we...we've...we're there. Let's stop